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In First-Class Condition.

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Periodical sales at which good prices are always obtained.

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## NEWS OF THE CAPITAL

### Cable Project Agitated Again in New South Wales But Canadian Government Delays It.

Ottawa Ladies Make a Flutter by Leaving Cards for the New Aides.

Trades Commissioner Covets British Columbia's Scant Supply of Potatoes and Onions.

From Our Own Correspondent.  
Ottawa, Dec. 6.—According to a report received from Commissioner Larko, the business men of New South Wales are sick of the grinding charges of the present cable monopoly. An influential deputation has waited upon Postmaster-General Parkes, to induce him to endeavor to bring the all-British cable project to a head. Mr. Parkes expressed sympathy with the object of the deputation, and said he would do his utmost to further it. Incidentally he twitted the Canadian government for its present lukewarmness towards the undertaking.

Ottawa society is shocked at the innovation of some "smart set" ladies leaving their cards on the aides at Government House.

St. Andrew's Society presented an address of welcome to Lord Minto to-day. Commissioner Larko says Canadians are not doing their best to secure Australian trade. He mentions that British Columbia could find a splendid market for potatoes and onions in New South Wales during the past three months, but California stepped in and grabbed the trade.

## MINING SHARES.

Buy Van Anda. This stock is worth 20 cents per share.  
Buy Athabasca—a safe, sure investment.

Athabasca	Special Call
Van Anda	Special Call
Dardanelles	0 1/2
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Noble Five	10

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List your mining stocks and real estate with us: we have buyers.

Do not purchase mining shares or real estate until you have seen us. We can save you money.

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HERBERT CUTHBERT,  
Leading Auctioneer.

### CONSIGNEE'S SALE TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS.

MR. HERBERT CUTHBERT,  
Leading Auctioneer.

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On Thursday, Dec. 15, 1898.

In lots to suit the trade and jobbers. I will sell by auction in my room, 15 Truncheon Avenue, as above, 370 pairs, English Blankets, 50 doz. Shirts, 10 doz. Singlets, 20 doz. Suits, Underwear, 10 doz. Singlets, 60 doz. Braces, 500 Shaws, 17 doz. Mitts, 12 doz. Handkerchiefs, 30 doz. Handkerchiefs, 17 Cardigan Jackets, 120 pairs of Pants, 100 Jackets (all sizes and makes), 100 Hats, 12 doz. Smoking Pipes, quantity of Buttons, 50 overcoats, 20 doz. Brushes, 50 doz. Umbrellas, 100 doz. Knives, Spoons and Forks, 40 doz. Handkerchiefs, 5 Jerseys, 4 Guns, 5 pieces Crotonne.

### 5 Ariels and Extra Music for Some

And a host of other things too numerous to mention.

TERMS CASH.  
On view day previous to sale. Sale to commence at 2 p.m., and be continued next day if necessary.

HERBERT CUTHBERT  
Auctioneer

BY ORDER CONSIGNEES  
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Leading Auctioneer

## Auction Sale

ON TUESDAY, DEC. 20, 1898

### Wines and Spirits, Hams, Bacon, Etc.

Imported direct from England.  
Further particulars later.

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### A MAN'S FURNITURE

Is usually the last property he parts with, and when he sells it he wants the best returns he can get. He should employ an auctioneer who is capable, knows his business and is in the habit of selling to the best class of people. I solicit your business on these grounds. You can have 70 per cent. of the cash before the sale, and complete settlements immediately afterwards.

HERBERT CUTHBERT,  
Leading Auctioneer,  
15 Truncheon Avenue.

SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS for 100 pounds received—some beautiful effects. J. W. Mellor, 76-78 Fort street, agent for Lloyd's Plate Glass Insurance. Je24

## ANTICOSTI'S LANDLORD.

French Plutocrat's Rights Mistaken for Foreign Sovereignty.

Montreal, Dec. 6.—A Star special from London says: "Much amusement and some indignation has been caused in Canadian circles here by a New York message in the Morning Post alleging that well-informed circles in Quebec believe that Mr. Chamberlain's inquiry respecting Anticosti foreshadows the intention of the British government to seize the island in the event of war with France. Prominent officials here when shown the telegram to-day, declared that no one knowing the A. B. C. of the question or desiring friendly Anglo-French relations would consider much less publish such mischievous nonsense. Not a hundred Meniers could lessen Great Britain's absolute and irrevocable sovereignty over Anticosti."

## VANCOUVER'S BUDGET.

Robb rises Numerous in the City—Fruitless Attempt to Enter a Bank Building.

Mate Missing—A Co-operative Failure—A Scared Chinaman Homeward Bound.

From Our Own Correspondent.  
Vancouver, Dec. 6.—Burglars have held high carnival in Vancouver for the past few days, culminating in a bold attempt to rob the Bank of British North America. One account given is that the cracksmen actually entered the bank through a window and were chased out again by Mr. Salisbury, who was sleeping on guard in it. Another account is that Mr. Salisbury heard the opening of the window and when the burglar was half through put a revolver to his head; that a policeman saw the robbers running and gave chase but without catching them. It is said there was \$100,000 in the vault at the time of the attempt. Many other attempts have been made to break into stores and houses. It is difficult to secure details from the police, but it is known that the crooks secured a haul of gold and silver watches at Frank's second-hand store. The fact that the robberies have been committed since the arrival of the Dirigo and that it is reported that members of the Soapy Smith gang arrived on her, leads to the theory that the professional cracksmen who are making Vancouver people nervous by their reported burglaries, are a remnant of the Soapy Smith gang.

Jos. Fontaine died suddenly at his home on Hornby street yesterday, of heart disease. He was 50 years old, has a family growing up here and was a highly respected citizen.

The mate of the bark Hilda, now lying in Vancouver, is missing.

The co-operative society started three years ago near Mission has discontinued operations. It is said that in three years the society lost \$30,000 in cash subscribed by the members. There are said to be assets, however, in the shape of unremunerative shops and saw mills.

The inland revenue returns for November in Vancouver are \$22,500, an increase of \$8,000 over November, 1897.

The Rossland Chinaman who recently left Rossland in a great hurry chased by highlanders, and who was protected to the train here by a body guard of police, returned to Vancouver by train yesterday and made a dash for the steamship Empress of India just as she was pulling out from the wharf. He is on his way to China now.

The "City and Island" company drew an enormous house last night in Vancouver—packed to the roof. The company's efforts seemed to be appreciated from the generous applause of the audience.

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure; 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

## ...VICTORIA...

### PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY

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### Orchestral & Concert

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Institute Hall, To-Night at 8:30 p.m.

Full orchestra of 35.  
Conductor—F. Victor Anglin.  
General admission 50 cents.  
Reserved Seats at Lombard's.

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10 CENTS PER PACKET.

### CIGARETTES

## H. L. SALMON'S, LEADING TOBACCONIST

Salmon Block, Victoria, B. C.

## TERRITORY OF HAWAII

President Submits to Congress a Bill For the Government of the Islands.

Oriental Excluded From Citizenship Extended to Portuguese and Hawaiians.

Legislature to Consist of Two Houses and Elections to Be Held Biennially.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, Dec. 6.—The President to-day transmitted to congress the report of the Hawaiian commission, together with the text of bills drawn for the government of the islands as a portion of the United States. Three bills are formulated for the consideration of congress. The first and principal one outlines a general plan for the government, and the other two deal with subordinate questions. The main bill provides for the transformation of the islands into a territory of the United States, to be styled the territory of Hawaii.

The bill contains provisions for the government of the territory, giving executive, legislative and judicial officers. A governor, secretary of territory, a United States district judge, a United States district attorney and a United States district marshal are to be appointed by the President, and an internal revenue district and a customs district are created.

The officers of the territory under the new regime are an attorney-general, a superintendent of public works, a superintendent of public instruction, an auditor and a deputy auditor, a surveyor and a chief sheriff, to be appointed by the governor.

Probably the most important portion of the bill is section 4, defining citizenship, which provides that "all white persons, including Portuguese, and persons of African descent, and all persons descended from the Hawaiian on either the paternal or maternal side, who were citizens of the republic of Hawaii immediately prior to the transfer of the sovereignty thereof to the United States, are hereby declared to be citizens of the United States."

Provision is made for a legislature, to consist of two houses—a senate, to consist of 15 members; and a house of representatives, consisting of 30 members. The members are to be elected at a general election to be held in November, 1899, and biennially thereafter. The Supreme court is to be the sole judge of the legality of election to a seat in either house in case of a contest.

The sessions of the legislature are limited to 60 days in duration, and each member is allowed \$400 as salary and 10 cents a mile travelling expenses.

## TRIBESMEN'S CRIME.

British Force Must Reckon With Them for Murder of a Small Party.

London, Dec. 6.—The British foreign office has received news that Lieutenants Keating and Gale and twelve native soldiers, who were massacred in October last, were killed while parleying with tribesmen of the Niger territory between Jibou and Hou.

## ALLEGED CONTEMPT IGNORED.

Supreme Court of Ohio Orders Standard Oil Books to Be Produced.

Columbus, O., Dec. 6.—The Supreme court handed down its decision to-day in the contempt case brought by the attorney-general against the officials of the Standard Oil Company, for refusing to produce their books at the recent investigation of the alleged violation of the orders of the Supreme court by the trust. The court orders the books produced, but says nothing about the contempt features.

## REMINDER OF THE MAINE.

Monument for the Sailors and Soldiers Killed to Be Erected in Havana.

Washington, Dec. 6.—Senator Hale to-day introduced a joint resolution authorizing the secretary of the navy to erect a monument in Havana, Cuba, to the memory of the sailors and soldiers who lost their lives by the explosion of the Maine. The bill is recommended by the navy department.

## CHINA THREATENED.

If Missionary Be Not Forthwith Released French Troops Will Call For Him.

Pekin, Dec. 6.—The French minister, M. Gervais, has sent an ultimatum to the Chinese foreign office, threatening that unless the French missionary now held a prisoner by the rebels in the province of Shue-cheun be released within ten days a force of French troops will be ordered to cross the frontier.











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## THE HOUSEHOLDER VOTE.

What is the meaning of the expression "rent value" in the section providing for what is called the householder vote? The validity of many recent registrations turns upon the answer to this question. We do not suppose for a moment that the legislature in point of fact intended that the section should permit a wife living with her husband, or daughters living at home and helping their mothers with the household work, to qualify under it. But it is impossible to ascertain what was in the minds of the legislators. We can only look to the words employed in the statute for guidance. A person occupying part of a dwelling and yielding or paying rent value to the amount of \$50 per annum therefor is entitled to vote.

It is evident at first reading that there will be a great diversity of opinion as to what these words mean. It would not be easy to employ words of looser signification. Undoubtedly a person who occupies a room and pays \$5 per month for a full year comes within the scope of the section. It would seem to be equally clear that a person who gives what may be regarded as the equivalent of \$5 per month for a full year is also entitled to vote. The question which arises is who shall determine what shall be considered as a yielding of rent value. If any person chooses to make the required oath, the assessor has no option except to take the paper and enter the name. He is not directed to make any investigation, nor is he authorized to refuse to register the name of an applicant. The act says that the list shall be corrected and revised and certified as correct by the mayor, but it does not vest him with any authority to investigate the validity of claims to vote. He is not clothed with any judicial functions at all. How, then, can he pass upon an application? He is not authorized to take evidence. Can he then go behind the application filed by the applicant? Presumably he could be restrained by the court from certifying to a list improperly made up; but this would apply to the whole list, and would not appear to authorize him to certify to an amended list. The mayor has only such powers as the statute gives him, and he must execute them within the time and in the manner prescribed by the statute.

The way the matter seems to stand, the individual conscience of the person registering appears to be the only court to which there can be an appeal, and to which the mayor is restrained from certifying to the list as a whole and thereby disqualifying those persons who are legally entitled to be upon it. Unless the statute gives him power to pass upon the validity of claims, he could be enjoined by the court from so doing. If it be said that there can be no object in requiring him to correct, revise and certify the list, unless he has the right to examine into the validity of each registration, the answer is that if the legislature chose to direct him to do so, there is nothing more to be said about it. The propriety of limiting his power to an inspection of the applications was for the legislature to decide, and the court cannot supplement the statutory provision by reading into the law powers which the express language of the act does not convey or carry with it by necessary implication.

## A MINING RUSH.

According to a Spokane mining man, a great mining rush is due next year. He says that these rushes come every ten years, and therefore always with the years ending with a 0. Thus the first great California rush was in 1849. The Fraser river rush was in 1859. The rush of 1889 was to Nevada, being started by the Comstock discovery. In 1879 Colorado and New Mexico were the scenes of the rushes. In 1889 Colorado and old Mexico saw the miners come in crowds. From these precedents he anticipates a great year in 1899.

Perhaps some of the so-called ten-year rushes may be a little far-fetched, or rather there have been other rushes between the years mentioned quite equal to those which are claimed to support the proposition of a nine-year cycle; but there is evidence enough that next year will be the scene of an extraordinary activity in mining, especially in the Pacific Northwest. The wonderful success of the Kootenay mines will attract the investing public. The output of the Klondike is likely to awaken anew the interest of the whole world. Admiration will be the Mecca of thousands of prospectors, and a great number of other localities through British Columbia, the Yukon territory, Alaska and the state of Washington capitalists and prospectors will seek opportunities for investment or discovery.

We believe in the old doctrine of never prophesying unless you know, and so will not venture to foretell anything for 1899; but unless all signs fail, it will be a year of unprecedented activity, when the foundation of many a fortune will be laid, and the Pacific Northwest will receive an unprecedented impetus to prosperity.

## A STUMBLING BLOCK TO ENTERPRISE.

We reprint from the Kootenian a reference to the manner in which the Kootenay lake sawmill owners have been treated by the government in regard to an application for some timber limits. The policy which the government has seen fit to adopt is beyond reasonable explanation. The industries of the country must stand still because it suits the purposes of the temporary incumbents of office to direct that they shall do so. If a company of people want to build a town, they cannot get the land on which to build it. If any one wants to sell lumber, he cannot get logs off crown land for that purpose, nor can he buy the land for the sake of the lumber that is on it. Mr. Semlin says that the government has decided "not to sell or dispose of any lands or timber." In whose interest has this decision been reached? What owner of timber lands has had sufficient interest or influence to be able to persuade the government that an order should be made that will prevent any one from competing with him in supplying timber to customers? What particular owner of real estate has been able to persuade the government to come to a decision that will make his property of special value for the time being? A decision not to sell or dispose of land or timber is explainable on the supposition that some favored friend, already in possession of land or timber, is to be helped out during the brief period in which the present political combination will have charge of the public domain. Who are the favored people? Will some of the apologists of the government explain? The policy of closing the public domain to enterprise is suicidal. What British Columbia wants is people who will buy the crown lands and make some use of them.

## TEXADA ISLAND.

It was a happy thought on the part of the E. & N. company to send the City of Nanaimo on an excursion to Texada Island. The result is that the attention of the public has been drawn to that very interesting locality as never before, at least in several years. Texada is one of the richest areas in British Columbia. It has a present population of about 300; but that this number will be increased four or five fold as soon as the various properties are fully worked is clear enough. Texada will afford one of the most conspicuous examples of the manner in which mining attracts and sustains population, and of the market which mining communities afford. It will be largely dependent upon outside sources for its supplies of all kinds, although we understand there is a considerable area admirably suited for sheep-raising, which is a safe business there, because of the entire absence of any wild animals capable of doing sheep any damage. The people of Victoria will undoubtedly reach out for a share of the business that will be built up on the island. The only regular means of communication at present is from Vancouver, and this is not of a very satisfactory character, although it is quite as good, doubtless, as business heretofore has warranted. With the increasing importance of the island trade, a demand has arisen for better steamer service, and there is a very general hope in Victoria that the trip of the City of Nanaimo is to be taken as an evidence that the E. & N. company has its eye upon the transportation business.

## THE JAMES BAY BRIDGE.

City Engineer Wilnot has acted wisely in urging upon the city council the imperative necessity of taking action in regard to James Bay bridge. He is also right, we think, in urging that the reclamation of the tide flats shall be taken into consideration in any plan that may be adopted. The extra cost will be considerable, but not sufficient to deter the citizens from adopting the suggestion. We have to remind citizens that in matters of this kind, the city council can only reflect public opinion. If the people have any wishes on the subject, now is the time to express them.

We suggest for the consideration of the public that a definite plan be decided upon, and that a bill be presented to the legislature, specifically authorizing the work to be done without a vote of the property holders. This suggestion will strike some people as little short of revolutionary; but it is not. The idea of submitting everything in the way of permanent outlay to a vote of the property holders is a comparatively new thing. In many parts of Canada, cities and towns apply directly to the legislature for authority to carry out public works. The legislatures regard a petition from the city council, especially if backed up by a popular petition, as sufficient warrant for the belief that a proposed work is for the public benefit, and therefore direct it to be carried out. In the case of the improvement of James Bay, it is proposed to create valuable property that will be worth more than it will cost, property which can either be sold or leased. The general idea seems to be that the only proper use to which the tide flats can be put after they are filled is that of a pleasure ground; but this must not be taken for granted. As a pleasure ground they would greatly enhance the value of abutting properties for residential purposes, but the business area of Victoria, that is, the area fronting on the harbor, is none too large, and if the city grows, as we all hope it will, there may be found advantages in devoting the flats to business purposes. Beacon Hill is not so far away that people are suffering for a pleasure resort nearer the centre of the city. But this is an after consideration. The first thing to be determined is whether or not the city shall decide forthwith to take steps to

fill in the tide flats, in connection with the construction of a permanent way across the Bay. Upon this point we invite expressions of opinion from correspondents.

## CONCERNING CORONERS.

Admitting everything that can be alleged as to the more frequent holding of inquests than might be absolutely necessary, the fact remains that it is better to have a few needless inquests than to have the coroners deterred from holding them when they are required in the public interest. The Times says there were eighty-four coroner's inquests in the province last year. If this is true, it proves nothing at all, except that there were eighty-four inquests. It is not asserted that any one of these was unnecessary. Presumably they were all necessary. It is an insult to the coroners to say they were not. The Times insinuates that all of them were not in the public interest. Why does it not undertake to specify at least one that was not? It cannot do so. It prefers to cast a slur upon every coroner in the province, and indirectly upon the whole medical profession, when it insinuates that some of the post mortem examinations were un-called for. Nor does the number of inquests at all touch the right of Attorney-General Martin to attempt to override the plain provisions of the statute by substituting his discretion for the discretion which the law vests in the coroner. If there was reason to believe that coroners hold inquests, when they are not really needed, it would have been quite proper for the attorney-general to call the attention of those officers to the conditions under which they ought to act; but he has no right under the law to take the discretion out of their hands and assume to exercise it himself. As for the ground taken by the Times that so many inquests will make people think British Columbia a good place to stay away from, it is too childish for consideration.

## ALIENS ON CANADIAN CRAFT.

The Colonist has already directed attention to the presence last year of many American musters, mates, engineers and others on the steamers plying upon the waters of the Upper Yukon. Some of the steamboats on those waters were owned and operated wholly by citizens of the United States. As far as we can learn a large number of aliens from the United States contemplate engaging in navigation there next year. Some of them will go through the formality of taking out certificates in Canada, but others will not even do this. We claim that the right to act as master, mate or engineer of steamers in the inland waters of Canada should be reserved to British subjects. Most of the men, who earned money on the Yukon in those capacities last year, are not residents of Canada. Their families live in Washington or Oregon, and the men send all their wages out of this country. This is a matter of very considerable importance and will next year be more important than ever.

No one can take out a certificate to entitle him to navigate a steamer in the inland waters of the United States unless he is a citizen of that country. A similar rule ought to be adopted in Canada. It is all very well to talk about an open door, but it is the biggest kind of a mistake to allow ourselves to be misled by a phrase. There is a provision in the Canadian law now, which is supposed to protect residents against the competition of non-residents, but our information is to the effect that it is evaded. The attention of the department of marine is directed to this matter in the hope that before the season of navigation again opens steps may be taken to safeguard the rights of Canadians in the premises.

A Stockholm despatch announces that a bottle has been picked up near the Ural Mountains containing a message from the balloonist Andree. It is not dated and merely says that the balloon has crossed the mountains. If this is authentic it shows that the balloon kept on the easterly course which it was following when the message was sent out by carrier pigeons two days after the voyage was begun, but with a deflection to the south. The information regarding the locality where the bottle was found is so meagre, that only the vaguest kind of guess can be made as to where the aeronauts may have been carried. If they descended in Northern Siberia, they may yet reach civilization. It has been said on the best of authority that two years is not too long a time for a person to be in Northern Siberia without being able to communicate with the rest of the world.

Congressman Roberts of Utah is likely to be the cause of a little commotion. He is a polygamist, and the question is raised whether congress will allow him to take the seat to which he has been elected. It is denied that congress has the power to exclude a man simply because he has more than one wife; and an agitation has begun for a constitutional amendment authorizing the national legislature to enact a marriage and divorce law for the whole country. The question will create a great deal of discussion and some of it will be pretty warm.

The President's message read at the opening of congress on Monday is in no sense a startling document, but the occasion was hardly one that called for a very strong representation of the new issues with which the United States is confronted. Time must be allowed for the policy of the administration to ripen. The message seems to have been well received in England.

The Columbian thinks the present political situation as good as a play, and says it is time to ring down the curtain. Very neatly time, we also think. But the denouement is not quite complete,

although the characters are grouping for the final scene. The play will go down to history as a farce of the first water, with the title "An Accident in Politics, or Not for Joseph."

Referring to a report that the Galician settlers in the Northwest are doing finely, the Ottawa Journal says that Canada can afford to take chances with men who have the pluck to journey thousands of miles to get a chance to work hard. Bad men do not travel far for that purpose, it thinks. There is something in this.

Romulus and Remus are apparently taking part in the Albern campaign, according to the Times. Heretofore it has been generally supposed that Romulus and Remus were dead; but, after all, dead men are likely to be interested in the fate of a dying government.

The Columbian says that Mr. Turner is politically dead and then goes on to say as severe things as it can against him. This is the best proof that can be given that the Columbian does not regard Mr. Turner as politically dead.

Great Britain is said to have about \$9,000,000,000 invested abroad. The greater part of this is drawing interest.

## Current Comment

### CANADA'S POTLATCH.

Canada in the conference figures, in almost everything, as the party which is to concede. In the case of the Atlantic fisheries, the complainant is the United States, whose citizens make it a grievance that Canada strictly maintains her authority over that part of the ocean which international law regards as Canadian territory. Whatever is conceded to the United States, except for equivalent concessions elsewhere, will be simply a loss to this country. On the Pacific ocean, in regard to the sealing industry, the case is the same. Canadian vessels have the right, and always had the right, to hunt the seal on the high seas, as they have a right to capture whales or take fish. This right was declared, even while it was somewhat limited, by the Paris arbitration commission, which condemned the United States to pay damages for having interfered with it. Canada as a country can have nothing to gain by discussing modifications of such a clearly defined principle. It is even abhorrent to the minds of people of British ideals that the government of a British colony should with eyes open consent to a limitation of its people's privilege to pursue in a lawful and honorable way a commercial industry on the high sea. —Montreal Gazette.

### A CHAMPION NEEDED.

Unwisdom is reported at Victoria. B. C., over the reports that the Laurier government will sell out the seal fishery to the United States. The vessel owners are not much alarmed, as they stand to get good prices for their outfits. For the men of the crews the case is different. Their occupation is a risk, and will be gone if the threatened deal is carried through. It is recognized on the coast that there is no Sir John Thompson to defend Canadian rights to-day. —Montreal Gazette.

### A GREAT JOKE.

Sir Wilfrid, Sir Louis and Sir Richard are roaring with laughter down at Washington. They have put up such a clever trick on Uncle Sam that the more they reflect upon it the more they laugh. When Uncle Sam secures the exclusion of Canadians from the sealing industry by the purchase of the schooners, he will have the schooners on his hands and will not know what to do with them. It is the funniest thing out. Evidently the United States commissioners have not looked upon the proposition in that light. Dull fellows, those Yankees! Let us hope that Mr. Charlton will not open their eyes to the trick of which they are the victims. —Toronto Mail and Empire.

### A RARE BARGAIN.

Uncle Sam proposes that Canadians shall quit roving the North Pacific in quest of seals.

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Sir Wilfrid appears to be willing to negotiate on that basis, the only question remaining so far as he is concerned being to fix the amount of the Demogog.

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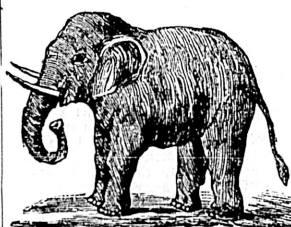
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### THE KLONDIKE SCANDALS.

A late session with an important programme is, by itself, not an inspiring thing to contemplate. Members are never willing to put in a good session's work when the reappearance of fields of spring come during the first days at Ottawa and remind them that the season's work is beginning at home. To ask such a session to give proper attention to a second revision of the tariff is to prepare for a disappointment. Yet this revision will be, if it comes, at least as important as Mr. Fielding's "first offence"; and should receive the full attention of a willing parliament. Then they talk of burdening of this belated session with delicate duty of "germanizing" the constituencies; but it is probable that the senate will obviate the necessity of any very close application to this task. The Klondike situation cannot, however, be dismissed so easily. This is one of the most important matters that the Canadian parliament has ever had to handle; and on the success with which the demands of the unique position is met will rest the decision of the vital question whether the Yukon district is to be to Canada a disgrace or a bonanza. The relations of the Canadian government to that country are now such as to make us blush at home and to check the influx of capital and enterprise and skill from abroad. To erect this calamitous state of affairs and put the Klondike back again upon the track to prosperity is perhaps the most pressing duty before the next session of our parliament. —Montreal Star.

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Victoria Clearing House.—The returns for the week ending December 6 of the Victoria clearing house amounted to the sum of \$816,941; balances, \$413,501.

City Police Court.—Yesterday's session of the city police court was a short one, there being but two cases. The Mand Baker assault was adjourned for another day and an Indian woman was sentenced to ten days in default of a fine of \$5.

A Pet Poisoner.—Vicious complaints are made against some unknown person who is spreading poison for cats and dogs in the vicinity of Stanley avenue. As a result of this poison scattering, the death of several fine dogs and one or two pet cats has taken place and naturally the residents who own such animals are not feeling any too kindly towards the cause of this trouble.

A New Drill.—Mr. J. N. S. Williams, an old Victorian who has had an extensive experience in large engineering works of various description including mining, has seen the advantages that Vancouver Island mining development is beginning to offer and accordingly has opened up business in the Board of Trade building for the supply of mining, milling and metallurgical machinery. He has on exhibition at his office at present a new style of rock drill that will at once attract the notice of mining men. It is called the Jones Hand Rock drill. It only weighs 500 pounds on its tripod for outside work and when used with the column in inside rock weighs but 150 pounds. It is so graduated that a blow from 65 to 300 pounds can be struck and one man operating it can drill twice as fast in a day as two men in the ordinary way. The drill can be taken to pieces and packed very easily and is so simple and effective that it is just the thing for opening up mines. It is not at all expensive and it can be cared for and the drills sharpened by any miner. Mr. Williams is getting out a regular diamond drill plant and expects it here by the end of the year. It will be used for prospecting for coal and for prospecting mineral veins, a use for which it is very effective.

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A Thousand Men Said to Be at Tagish on the Way From Dawson.

Victoria's first boat for several weeks from the cities of Lynn Canal and Alaska, the steamer Rosalie, arrived yesterday evening with a very small number of passengers—not over fifteen in all. She left Skagway on the 1st inst., having arrived there just in time to escape the storm of a few weeks ago which lasted for eight days and effectually closed all communication from Dawson.

A thousand men from the metropolis were reported at Tagish, making their way to the coast, but those aboard the Rosalie knew nothing of them further than it was thought they would arrive before the steamer's return. Though pretty well isolated Skagway is still not without its excitement. Lots of money is being circulated in the town principally by the railroad men, and new strikes are talked of on all hands.

On the 1st inst. A. L. Smith was to leave Tanana river several hundred miles below Dawson with a large quantity of mail that has long been accumulating. He was going as a special carrier and it was said had 1,000 pounds in letters alone to carry. His journey was looked upon as an extremely perilous one as the country he has to travel is of a very rough nature and the weather was terribly cold. This fact O. Vige and party, returning from the Atlin country, testify to. They were two months on the journey to Skagway, having time and again found themselves in a snow drift that would almost completely cover them. It took three days in one instance to extricate themselves from one snow bank and they were eleven days on the Atlin trail. Their tramp was a very trying one and was attended with all the misfortunes of frost bites, etc.

A contingent of Northwest Mounted Police were also to set out from Skagway on the 1st and were going to Tagish there to establish their headquarters. They were deprived through death of all except nine of their Labrador dogs which they had taken with them from Quebec. The dogs while in Vancouver got hold of some strychnine, which killed forty of them and came near ending the whole lot. They are described as being the finest kind of dogs for sleighing purposes in the North.

E. C. Hawkins, general manager and chief engineer of the Skagway railway, was a passenger on the Rosalie. He went on to Seattle to look after some business in connection with the railway, but will be back in Victoria this evening to remain several days. Mr. Hawkins says that British Columbia ought to contribute toward the building of the trail to Atlin, but further states that his company will not wait for this support. The road is now all cut out from Log Cabin across to Otter lake and thence to Atlin while a sloop road for the heaviest part of the traffic, particularly for the hauling of machinery, has been built from Log Cabin to Bennett. In an interview with the Alaskan Mr. Hawkins is quoted as saying:

"I went before the people of Victoria and represented to them it was proper that the British Columbia government should appropriate money for the purpose of keeping in good order the trail crossing and leading to the mines in British territory. It will require a considerable sum of money to keep the trails in good condition—the cut-off trail to Atlin and also the trail from the lakes to Bennett. British Columbia is a great province and it should look after its own highways and not depend on outside persons or people of another country to do this work. I have made application for this appropriation and I believe that by this time the money is available. "The trail is the only route to the Atlin gold fields and when the time comes that travel cannot proceed over the ice then we will build bridges. This is what the appropriation will aid in accomplishing. The customs officials will oblige all persons travelling to Atlin to go to Log Cabin to pay their duty instead of permitting the miners to proceed direct from Shallow lake to Atlin. This route simply takes the traveller a little further north before branching off to the east."

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Mrs. Costello Dead.—Mrs. Costello, widow of the late Edward Costello, died yesterday at the family residence, Randall street, James Bay. She was a native of Freetown, Cornwall, England, aged 42 years. Five orphan children survive her. The funeral will take place on Thursday at 2:30.

Toupin-Asp.—At the Dominion hotel yesterday afternoon Mr. G. F. Toupin, of Dawson, and Miss Carrie Asp, of Seattle, were united in marriage by Rev. Dr. Wilson. Mr. J. Munro supported the groom, while Mrs. Munro attended the bride.

Pearl of Pekin.—The bass and tenor singers taking part in the opera, "The Pearl of Pekin," are requested to attend the rehearsal in the A. O. U. hall this evening. A very successful rehearsal for sopranos and altos was held on Monday evening, a large number being present.

A Win For South Park.—At Beacon Hill on Monday afternoon a friendly game of Association football was played between the South Park and Central School teams. The game was closely contested, one goal only being secured, and that by Robert Dunn for South Park. The umpire was Mr. James Lorrimer.

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About fifty applicants received assistance from the society during the month of November. Eleven had groceries, 9 had fuel, 1 had milk for the month, 1 had rent paid and 22 had clothing. Donations were thankfully received from the following: The city, cash; Miss Skinner, Mrs. Nolte, Mrs. Crigge, M. J. Pearson & Co., A. Friend, Mrs. Belyea, Mrs. Heisterman, Mrs. Schbrook, Miss Bowers, clothing; Mrs. T. G. Ross, hats; Mrs. Whittier, shoes; Mrs. McKicking, undershirts; Mrs. Loewen, lamp; R. Porter & Sons, meat.

### MERCHANTMAN'S TROUBLES.

Troubles Between Officers and Men of the Bark Wilson Aired in Court.

By the time that all the troubles that occurred on the British bark Walter II. Wilson during her recent voyages, which ended with her arrival in the Royal Roads on Saturday last, are adjusted there will be few officers or men of the ship who will not have appeared in the provincial police court to answer to some charge or counter charge. Yesterday no fewer than six cases were recorded arising out of the differences between officers and men and were before Magistrate Hall.

In the first place the Japanese steward was charged by W. Veitch, an able seaman, with cutting and wounding him. The evidence was very contradictory but in the main went to show that Veitch went to the galley where he had no right and abused the steward, pushing him into the coal bunker. The steward had a dish of mashed potatoes in one hand and a silver table knife in the other. When Veitch emerged from the galley he was covered with blood, potatoes, coal dust and other refuse generally found around a galley about dinner time. Hence the charge of cutting and wounding. The magistrate did not consider the evidence direct enough to justify him in recording a conviction.

Then Henry Baxter, Harry Kosch, Gus Peterson and T. Hendrickson were charged by Capt. Doty with refusing duty. They one and all pleaded guilty and were sentenced to two weeks' imprisonment, to return to the ship before that time however, if she is ready to go. As Capt. Doty was not to go back to the ship at all, but the magistrate advised them that they would have to serve their time for which they signed until they could show good cause why they should not.

The next charge was against the mate, who is charged with assaulting T. Hendrickson. This will be heard to-day and will be followed, it is said, by information against all the seamen charging them with refusing duty.

### MURDER AT COTTONWOOD.

Two Chinamen Found Chopped to Death and a Third Man Hanging From a Tree.

Very brief word of a triple killing reached Supt. Hussey yesterday afternoon from Provincial Constable Anderson at Cottonwood. The telegram from Mr. Anderson states that three Chinamen had been killed near Cottonwood, in Cariboo district, and that six other Chinamen are now under arrest on suspicion of being connected with the crime. At the same time, it appears to Mr. Anderson that one of the Chinamen now lying dead is responsible for all three deaths. Two of the men were found butchered by an axe, and the third man was hanging from a tree in the vicinity, the supposition being that this last man either in a quarrel or through becoming suddenly insane, had hacked his companions to death and then committed suicide by hanging. Coroner Stone of the district had been notified, and an inquest will no doubt throw full light on the facts of the case.

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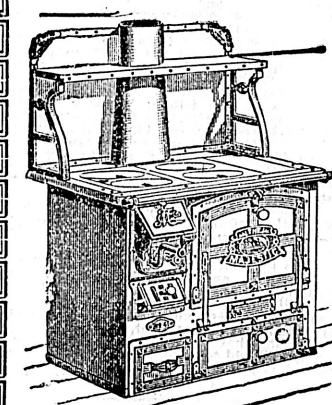
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From the Toronto Mail and Empire.

Washington, Nov. 28.—Great activity and earnestness mark the proceedings of the Anglo-American-Canadian Joint Commissioners these days. This morning Senator Fairbanks, chairman of the commissioners for the United States, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian Premier, called at the White House and had an extended conference with President McKinley regarding the topic now under discussion by the commission. This is the disposition to be made of the Behring Sea seal fisheries.

While the Joint High Commission was in session at Quebec the matter was discussed on the basis of a proposition that the United States should buy the interests of Canadian fisheries, and thus establish the principle of a closed sea. Appraisers were appointed by each party to assess the value of the fisheries to Canada and the value of the ships engaged in the traffic. The estimates of these appraisers have been before the members of the commission having charge of this subject for several days past, but they are so far apart that the commissioners are considering other plans for the disposition of the question. The regulations fixed by the award of the Paris tribunal of arbitration in 1893, for the control of the seal fisheries, expired at the close of the fishing season of 1898, so that something must be done in the premises, where a treaty be made or not.

There are five propositions before the commission:

1. To continue the present condition of affairs under the provisions of the award of 1893.

2. To make new regulations to control the fisheries, beginning with the season of 1899.

3. To effect a new regulation by agreement in or out of a general treaty.

4. For Canada to dispose of its interests in the fisheries, including the vessels engaged in them, to the United States for a consideration.

5. For the United States to sell to Canada and withdraw from the field. It is no secret that the Canadians favor a sale of their interest to the United States, and that it would be the outcome of the negotiations, were it not for the fact that the appraisers are so far apart in their views of what Canada ought to receive. This wide diversity has led the commissioners to a discussion of the other propositions named, but they hope to be able to reach a satisfactory compromise and effect an agreement. It is believed that a treaty containing a provision for the sale by the United States of the Behring Sea fisheries to Canada would receive but scant courtesy in the senate, and it is hardly a possibility.

This afternoon the commissioners and their ladies visited Mount Vernon, making the trip on the H.M. Before and after the trip the Seal Fisheries Commission held meetings and separate meetings of the United States and Canadian commissions were held.

From the Toronto Globe.

Washington, Nov. 25.—The Behring Sea Committee is still seeking a basis of agreement for the purchase of the Canadian sealing fleet by the United States. This morning Capt. Thayer, the American expert, was again under examination as to the data on which he made his calculations of the value of the British Columbia sealers. The figure he names as fair compensation is \$75 per boat. This would give for the entire fleet of 51 schooners of 3,712 tons a value of \$278,400, which is absurdly low. The schooners might not be worth any more on the Atlantic coast or in a general freight-carrying of fishing business, but as sealing schooners they have a much greater value. Capt. Cox, the representative of the British Columbia sealers, who was called before the commission this afternoon, is empowered to offer the entire fleet to the United States government for \$500,000, a considerable reduction on the first offer of \$200 per ton, maintained in the sealers' memorial to the Dominion government. It does not seem improbable that for the vessels and outfits, an amount in the neighborhood of half a million will be forthcoming. When the vessels are purchased the United States government will have an elephant on its hands, for it will be difficult to dispose of the craft on the Pacific slope.

## WINTER IN THE PASSES.

Railway Builders Have Great Difficulty in Keeping Men at Work.

Seattle, Dec. 5.—There is great difficulty experienced by the White Pass & Yukon railway officials in keeping their employees, on account of the cold weather. George B. Addington, formerly of Skagit county, who has just arrived down, says that cold weather has begun in earnest. Little Meadows, where he keeps a hotel, was surrounded by railroad graders when Mr. Addington left; but the weather was becoming so cold that the company was having great difficulty in holding its men, 200 having quit work in a body a few days before. There was a lot of snow on the ground at Little Meadows, and both Summit lake and Middle lake were frozen over. Travel has not, however, been diverted to the lakes, because the snow was soft and no trail had been broken.

At Addington is here making contracts for taking freight over to the Atlin gold fields, and says the prospect is there will be a great quantity of freight taken over immediately after January 1. The packers at Skagway and along the route have figured out that they can take freight in the new winter season at a profit, and this winter for 25 cents a pound. They will use the route by way of Otter lake, which is much shorter than the summer route by the chain of lakes.

The various companies, which propose building new steamers on the upper lakes, are busy in the North consulting with transportation companies and packers regarding the getting of their heavy machinery, lumber and supplies over to the lakes. There were several attempts made to get single pieces of machinery as heavy as five and six tons over to Lake Bennett.

The Chillikoot Tramway Company on the Dyce trail is planning to commence operating its cable line January 1.

Rates of packing to Lake Bennett promise to be from 3 to 4 cents a pound cheaper than last season.

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## STOCKS, METALS AND PRODUCE.

Inactivity in London Awaiting New York Lead on the Message—Pacific Roads Strong.

London, Dec. 6.—Apprehensions of further withdrawal of gold from the Bank of England revived the feeling of nervousness on the stock exchange to-day and produced depression and inactivity. President McKinley's message to congress was regarded favorably. Grand Trunk were flat in connection with the recent blizzard.

New York, Dec. 6.—The Evening Post's financial cable from London says: "The stock markets here were quiet and dull to-day, the only feature being the strength of Americans and of mines. The former were good on New York support and on professional buying here, and closed at the best. Northern Pacific and Union Pacific were especially strong. The President's message had no effect, the market here merely awaiting New York's lead. The discount market here is distinctly weak, the position being that a large mass of bills are maturing, while the supply of new bills is very scarce. The increased supply of uninvested bills depresses rates. Rates were good on the reported renewal of the dynamite contract by the Transvaal government at lower prices. Argentines were easier on reported damage to crops by rain."

New York, Dec. 6.—The fractional gains throughout the list were the result of today's trading on the stock exchange. The decided strength of the early market was in sympathy with London's improved prices and London was a small purchaser on balance. Profit taking at times checked the advance in the local market, which became dull in the afternoon with quotations generally well sustained.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Dec. 3, Dec. 6
Amn. Cotton Oil	139 3/4
Amn. Tob.	138
Amn. Sugar	12 1/2
Amn. Spirits	12 1/2
Atchafalca, all paid	10 1/2
Atchafalca pfd	40 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	11 1/2
Canada Southern	5 1/2
Ches. & Ohio	2 1/2
Chicago, R. & W.	11 1/2
Chicago & N. W.	13 1/2
Chicago Gas	100 1/2
C. R. I. & Pac.	108
C. R. I. & Pac. pfd	11 1/2
Cons. Gas, N. Y.	18 1/2
C. C. & St. L.	4 1/2
Del. & Hudson	9 1/2
Gen. Elec.	14 1/2
Gen. Elec. pfd	15 1/2
Denver & Rio G. pfd	6 1/2
Gen. Elec.	8 1/2
Jersey Central	11 1/2
Lake Shore	10
Louisville & Nashville	6 1/2
M. & E. Ry.	10 1/2
Milwaukee Central	10 1/2
Mo. Pac.	3 1/2
National Lead	30 1/2
Nor. Pac. com. new	40 1/2
Nor. Pac. pfd	72 1/2
N. Y. & L. E. & W.	11 1/2
N. Y. & L. E. & W. pfd	10 1/2
Omaha, com. & W.	15 1/2
Pac. Mail	40 1/2
Pullman	139 1/2
Reading	18 1/2
Southern Railway	10 1/2
Southern Railway pfd	41 1/2
Tenn. Coal & Iron	31 1/2
Texas & Pacific	15 1/2
U. S. Leather	6 1/2
U. S. Leather pfd	6 1/2
U. S. Rubber com.	10 1/2
Union Pacific receipts	38
Union Pacific pfd	7 1/2
Wabash	21 1/2
Western Union	93 1/2
Met. St. Ry.	18 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	69

C. P. R. in London..... 18 1/2  
Com. Cable in Montreal..... 18 1/2  
New York, Dec. 6.—Money on call, steady at 2 1/2 per cent; last loan, 2 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3 1/2 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady at \$4.84 1/2 to \$4.85 1/2 and at \$4.84 1/2 to \$4.85 1/2. Days. Posted rates, \$4.82 to \$4.85 1/2 to \$4.86. Commercial bills, \$4.80 1/2.

New York, Dec. 6.—Silver certificates, 60 1/2 to 61 1/2; bar silver, 59 11 1/2 c.; Mexican dollars, 40 1/2 c.  
Copper, quiet; lake brokers, \$12.75; exchange, \$12.45 to \$12.80.  
Lead, quiet; domestic brokers, \$3.45; exchange, \$3.00 to \$3.62 1/2.  
Tin, firm; straits, \$18.10 to \$18.25; plates, dull.  
Spelter, firm; domestic, \$5.25 to \$5.35.  
Rush, quiet; turpentine, barely steady.  
No. 1 Pine Hall, Pandora street, \$10.25 to \$11.25; Northern, \$10.25 to \$11.75.

New York, Dec. 6.—Wheat closed: Jan., 73 1/2 c.; March, 73 1/2 c.; May, 76 1/2 c.; Dec., 73 1/2 c.  
Chicago, Dec. 6.—Wheat closed: Dec., 67 1/2 c.; May, 67 1/2 c.; July, 34 1/2 c.; Corn—Dec., 23 1/2 c.; May, 25 1/2 c.; Oats—Dec., 25 1/2 c.; May, 25 1/2 c.

## NEGRO SOLDIER ASSASSIN.

Accused of Shooting Two Spanish Soldiers and American Commission Shows Him No Favor.

Havana, Dec. 5.—Understanding that Campbell, a negro arrested yesterday on the charge of being connected with the shooting of two Spanish soldiers, belonged to the United States army, the secretary of the Spanish executive commission went to the American commission and offered to place the prisoner at the disposal of the Americans. The latter, however, refused to take charge of Campbell, and said he should be tried and dealt with by the Spanish courts in the same manner as any other prisoner. Campbell was then taken to jail to await his trial.

## FIRE ALARM BOXES.

To ring in an alarm break the glass covering the key, open the door and pull down the hook on the inner door once and let it go—remain at the box to direct the fire.

All the fire halls are connected with telephone 528.  
3—Bridgeway, Walk and Superior street.  
4—James Bay.  
5—Carr and Simcoe streets, James Bay.  
6—Michigan and Menzies streets.  
7—Government and Pandora street.  
8—Menzies and Niagara streets, James Bay.  
9—Montreal and Kingston streets, James Bay.  
10—Dundas and Simcoe streets, James Bay.  
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12—Dundas and Simcoe street, James Bay.  
13—Dundas and Simcoe street, James Bay.  
14—Vancouver and Burdette avenue.  
15—Douglas and Humboldt streets.  
16—Humboldt and Rupert streets.  
17—Port and Government streets.  
18—Port and Government streets.  
19—Yates and Tharf streets.  
20—Johnson and Government streets.  
21—Douglas and Port and View.  
22—1st Fire Hall, Pandora street.  
23—View and Blanchard streets.  
24—Port and Quadra streets.  
25—Yates and Cook streets.  
26—Government and Princess streets.  
27—Junction Oak Bay and Cadboro roads.  
28—Cadboro and Richmond roads.  
29—Oakland and Random streets.  
30—Chatham and Blanchard streets.  
31—Caledonia and Cook streets.  
32—Spring Ridge.  
33—Douglas and Discovery streets.  
34—Government and Princess streets.  
35—Kings road and Second street.  
36—Puntland, Douglas street and Hillside street.  
37—Oaklands Fire Hall.  
38—Comorant and Store streets.  
39—Discovery and Store streets.  
40—Government and Bridge streets.  
41—Catherine street, Victoria West.  
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Overcoats, \$5.50, \$7.50  
\$10.50; Winter Suits, \$5,  
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## ELEVEN DROWNED.

Algiers, Dec. 5.—The French steamer Algiers, has foundered near Bona, a fortified seaport of Algeria, near the mouth of the river Seibour. Eleven persons were drowned.

## ARMY ABUSES.

A Colonel Using Two Hospital Tents While the Sick Went Without Shelter.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Col. Lee, chief quartermaster at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga testified before the war investigating commission to-day regarding the tentage facilities at Chickamauga. Col. Lee insisted that the supply of all kinds of tents was fully adequate and that the requisitions for hospital tents were filled as made. Col. Lee charged that in some instances officers misused hospital tents. He referred to General Byers' published remark that for this the Pennsylvanians "should have taken him (the witness) by the neck and thrown him out."

"No, not that," interrupted General Byers, "but that they should not have taken you by the neck. If I had been in command of a regiment and my sick were in need of shelter I certainly would have got a tent."

Col. Lee declared that the lumber for tents issued had in instances been converted wrongfully to stable use, and said that when the Colonel of the 9th Pennsylvania called regarding the private tent, witness replied that the Pennsylvania was using two hospital tents himself, one to live in and the other for a mess tent.

Major J. C. Brown, surgeon-in-chief of the general hospital at Montauk Camp, denied, so far as he was informed, complaints that soldiers were buried nude, and some other stories which he said had nothing in them.

## THE FUTURE OF CUBA.

Guests at American Commissioner's Dinner Accept Annexation as Her Destiny.

Santiago, Dec. 5.—Mr. Robert B. Porter, the special commissioner of the United States to Cuba and Porto Rico, has returned here from his inspection of the mines. He gave a farewell luncheon at the Venus cafe yesterday, at which twenty-five guests were present. Although none of the speakers declared absolutely in favor of annexation, it was unquestionably apparent that twenty-one of the twenty-five guests were in favor of the island being annexed to the United States. General Garcia thanked the United States for all that had been done for Cuba since April, and said he believed Cuba would always show herself grateful. Captain Min-dosa, responding on behalf of the Santiago association, declared that Cuba, free or annexed, would never forget the duty she owed to the United States. Mr. Robert Mason, the British consul, spoke in favor of the continuance of the government of the island by the Americans.

Mr. Porter was diplomatic in his utterances and refused to be drawn into any direct statement on the subject under discussion, but the enthusiasm with which every indirect allusion to or the mention of the word "annexation" was greeted plainly showed the sentiment of the party, which practically represented the feeling of a majority of the Cubans in regard to the question. The names of President McKinley and Queen Victoria were enthusiastically received, and every allusion to the good feeling existing between the two countries evoked much applause.

## EARLY MARINE ENGINEERING.

Time Was When to Blow Steam Was Regarded as an Insult.

From Cassier's Magazine.  
In 1830 gongs for the engine room were unknown, and in many of the boats, when the pilot was in his house (if there was one) or on the deck over the engine room, he would signal to the engineer by the strokes of a stick or came upon the floor of the house or deck. All boats of course carried bells, and by them the notices of departure and of arriving were made known, and all salutes between boats were given by their bells. To blow steam, as is now done by a whistle, was intended to be a challenge or an insult.

In July, 1837, the first steam launch, the Sweetheart, 35 feet in length, 4 feet 3 inches of beam, and 3 feet depth, engine 12 inches, 3 feet 6 inches in diameter, and boiler horizontal rectangular, designed and constructed at the United States navy yard, New York, by the writer, then chief engineer of the navy, was completed, and on her trial and succeeding trips around the city of New York was saluted with the bells of passing steamboats and cheered by people who rushed to the end of the pier to witness the novel sight. She attained a speed of 8.5 miles per hour. The engine was subsequently transferred to the United States naval school at Annapolis.

Fuel, up to the year 1836, was wholly pine wood, though up to that time some owners of steamboats commenced experimenting upon the practicability of using anthracite coal. A steamboat on her route of six or more hours could not have the capacity in her fire room to contain all the wood required, and was compelled to pile it upon her side houses; and such boats as were on a long route, as from New York to Providence, were compelled to invade their upper decks with wood, and upon leaving the city had somewhat the semblance of a floating woodyard.

In 1839 anthracite coal was introduced in the furnaces of the steamboat North America, plying on the Hudson river between New York and Albany, and to aid its combustion when a high pressure of steam was required, a fan-blower, driven by a belt from a wheel shaft, was first resorted to, but soon afterward a small independent engine was used, connected by a belt to the blower. Anthracite coal was soon afterward first burned without auxiliary draught in the open furnace of a steam boiler.

## CORBETT'S BRAVE TALK.

Willing to Give Another Exhibition, but Would Prefer to Meet Sharkey in Private.

New York, Dec. 5.—James J. Corbett to-day deposited \$1,000 with a sporting editor as a forfeit for a match with Sharkey. Corbett said he was willing to box Sharkey in public, the receipts to go to charity, but would prefer to meet Sharkey for \$5,000 a side in private.

## DREADFULLY NERVOUS.

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## WOMEN DIPLOMATS.

A Bold Departure in Russia's Eastern Policy.

London Mail.  
It is not the sincerest form of flattery a decision of the Russian minister of public instruction which has just been promulgated, should be regarded as peculiarly gratifying to Englishmen, although the object in view is calculated to furnish them with serious food for reflection.  
The unsatisfactory results obtained in India through the various women's missions established there of late years have been studied with great interest by the Russian government for some time past writes a correspondent from St. Petersburg.

The excellent means that such a system would present for the "Russification" of Oriental races was fully recognized, and several years ago, as a tentative measure, special facilities for the study of several Oriental languages were accorded to a carefully selected group of lady students at St. Petersburg.

The results appear so satisfactory to the Russian government that arrangements have now been made by the minister of public instruction for the immediate opening of special classes, reserved exclusively for women, at St. Petersburg and at Moscow, in which, besides receiving instruction in one or more Oriental languages, the students are required to follow a carefully prepared course of study that will enable them to profit by the peculiar facilities they—as ladies—will enjoy of personal intercourse with the families of Oriental personages.

A skilled "lady diplomatist," it is recognized, is often far more valuable than one of the sterner sex.  
In the ordinary course of diplomacy in the east diplomatic agents are brought into contact with men alone. A lady, on the contrary, could not only exert her influence in the highest quarters through the families into which no man could penetrate, but often employ it also with no less success directly upon Oriental statesmen themselves.

This, indeed, is no new feature in Russian diplomacy. The immense influence upon European politics exercised by at least three Russian ladies, in whose salons in Paris some of the most important political events of the century were organized is a matter of history.

Their influence was not lessened by the fact that they were carefully represented as being by no means favorably regarded at the Russian court.

This, however, is the first time in which a regular attempt has been made to give ladies a special training for the service of the corps diplomatique. With certain exceptions, the students must all have passed through a regular course of thorough instruction in medicine, and it is significant that, except Chinese, the Oriental languages taught in these classes are not those spoken to any extent in any part of the Russian empire, as at present constituted, but are almost exclusively those of races dwelling beyond the present Russian frontiers, and especially in Persia, Afghanistan and India.

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